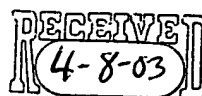


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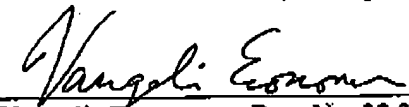
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2003, setting a 3-month shortened statutory period for a reply ending on April 13, 2003, Applicants submit the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. This amendment is considered to place the application in better condition for allowance.

No fee is believed to be required with this amendment, but, if this is not the case, please charge any fee (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 12-0400.